

SEMI-CONNECTEDNESS AND PRE-CONNECTEDNESS IN CLOSURE SPACE

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ABSTRACT

A Čech closure space (X, u) is a set X with Čech closure operator $u: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ which satisfies $u\emptyset = \emptyset$, $A \subseteq uA$ for every $A \subseteq X$, $u(A \cup B) = uA \cup uB$, for all $A, B \subseteq X$. Many properties which hold in topological space hold in closure space as well. The notion of connectedness that is familiar from topological space generalized to closure space. A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called semi-open if $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$ and pre-open if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$, where cl is a closure function in topological space. We further extend the notion of semi-open set and pre-open set in closure space.

The aim of this paper is to introduce and study the concept of semi-connectedness and pre-connectedness in closure space using the notion of semi-open set and pre-open set of closure space.

KEYWORDS: Closure Space, Connected Space, Connected Closure Space, Semi-Open Sets, Pre-Open Sets, Semi-Continuous Function, Pre-Continuous Function, Semi-Connected Closure Space, Pre-Connected Closure Space

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1. INTRODUCTION

Čech closure space was introduced by Čech E. [3] in 1963. The concept of semi-open set was introduced by Norman Levin [5] in 1963. In 1974; Das P. [4] defined the concept of semi-connectedness in topological space and investigated its properties.

The concept of pre-open set was introduced by Mashhour et.al. [7] in 1982. Many mathematicians such as Balan Dhana A.P., Chandrasekhar Rao K. [1] has extended various concepts of pre-open sets and pre-connectedness in topological space.

We are introducing the concepts of semi-connectedness and pre-connectedness in closure space and study some of their properties.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1[2]: An operator $u: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ defined on the power set $P(X)$ of a set X satisfying the axioms:

- $u\emptyset = \emptyset$,
- $A \subseteq uA$ for every $A \subseteq X$,

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- $u(A \cup B) = uA \cup uB$ for all $A, B \subseteq X$. is called a Čech closure operator and the pair (X, u) is called a Čech closure space.

Definition 2.2 [9]: A closure space (X, u) is said to be connected if and only if there exists a continuous map from X to the discrete space $\{0, 1\}$ is constant. A subset A in a closure space (X, u) is said to be connected if A with the subspace topology is a connected space.

Definition 2.3 [8]: A subset A of a topological space (X, τ) is called semi-open if $A \subseteq \text{cl}(\text{int}(A))$. The class of all semi-open sets of X is denoted by $\text{SO}(X, \tau)$.

Definition 2.4 [6]: A set A in a topological space (X, τ) is called pre-open if $A \subseteq \text{int}(\text{cl}(A))$. The class of all pre-open sets of X is denoted by $\text{PO}(X, \tau)$.

3. SEMI-CONNECTEDNESS IN CLOSURE SPACE

Definition 3.1: A set A in a closure space (X, u) is said to be semi-open set if $A \subseteq u(\text{int}(A))$. The complement of semi-open set is called semi-closed set. The class of all semi-open sets of closure space (X, u) is denoted by $\text{SO}(X, u)$.

Example 3.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, a closure function u which is defined by

$u: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ such that

$$u\{b\} = u\{c\} = u\{b, c\} = \{b, c\},$$

$$u\{a\} = u\{a, b\} = u\{a, c\} = u\{X\} = X, u\{\emptyset\} = \emptyset.$$

Hence (X, u) is a closure space.

$$\text{Open sets} = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X, \emptyset\}.$$

$$\text{SO}(X, u) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X, \emptyset\}.$$

Definition 3.3: Let (X, u) and (Y, v) are two closure spaces. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is semi continuous if the inverse image of every open set in Y is semi open in X .

Example 3.4: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, a closure function u which is defined by

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Let $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, define a closure function $v: P(Y) \rightarrow P(Y)$ such that

$$v\{a\} = \{a, b\}, v\{b\} = \{b, c\}, v\{c\} = \{c, a\},$$

$$v\{a, b\} = v\{b, c\} = v\{a, c\} = Y = v\{Y\}, v\{\emptyset\} = \emptyset.$$

(Y, v) is a closure space.

Open sets = $\{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, Y, \emptyset\}$,

$SO(X, u) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, Y, \emptyset\}$,

A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$f^{-1}\{a\} = \{a, b\}, f^{-1}\{b\} = \{b\}, f^{-1}\{c\} = \{a, c\}, f^{-1}\{a, b\} = \{a\},$

$f^{-1}\{b, c\} = \{c\}, f^{-1}\{a, c\} = X, f^{-1}\{Y\} = X,$

$f^{-1}\{\emptyset\} = \emptyset.$

f is a semi-continuous function.

Definition 3.5: A closure space (X, u) is said to be semi-connected closure space if and only if any semi-continuous map from X to the discrete space $\{0, 1\}$ is constant. A subset A in a closure space (X, u) is said to be semi-connected closure space if A with the subspace topology is semi-connected closure space.

Example 3.6: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, a closure function u which is defined by

$u: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ such that

$u\{b\} = u\{c\} = u\{b, c\} = \{b, c\},$

$u\{a\} = u\{a, b\} = u\{a, c\} = u\{X\} = X, u\{\emptyset\} = \emptyset.$

Hence (X, u) is a closure space.

Open sets = $\{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X, \emptyset\}.$

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Let $f: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ such that

$f^{-1}\{1\} = \{a\} = \{b\} = \{c\} = \{a, b\} = \{a, c\} = X.$

$f^{-1}\{0\} = \emptyset$, i. e. $f\{a\} = f\{b\} = f\{c\} = f\{a, b\} = f\{a, c\} = f\{X\} = 1, f\{\emptyset\} = 0.$

Then (X, u) is a semi-connected closure space.

Definition 3.7: A closure space (X, u) is a semi-disconnected closure space if and only if there exists a semi-continuous map from X to the discrete space $\{0, 1\}$ is surjective.

Theorem 3.8: A closure space (X, u) is semi connected if and only if every semi continuous function f from X into a discrete space $Y = \{0, 1\}$ with at least two points is constant.

Proof: Necessary: Let a closure space (X, u) is a semi-connected closure space. Then there exists a semi continuous function f from the closure space X into the discrete space $Y = \{0, 1\}$, for each $y \in Y$, $f^{-1}\{y\} = \emptyset$ or X . If $f^{-1}\{y\} = \emptyset$ for all $y \in Y$, then f ceases to be a function. Therefore $f^{-1}\{y_0\} = X$ for a unique $y_0 \in Y$. This implies that $f(X) = \{y_0\}$ and hence f is a constant function.

Sufficiency

Let every semi continuous function f from X into a discrete space $Y = \{0, 1\}$ is constant. Suppose U is a semi open set in a closure space (X, u) . If $U \neq \emptyset$, we will show that $U = X$. Otherwise, choose two fixed points y_1 and y_2 in Y . Define $f: X \rightarrow Y$ by

$$f(x) = y_1, \text{ if } x \in U$$

$$y_2, \text{ otherwise.}$$

Then for any open set V in Y ,

$$f^{-1}(V) = U, \text{ if } V \text{ contains } y_1 \text{ only,}$$

$$X/U, \text{ if } V \text{ contains } y_2 \text{ only,}$$

$$X, \text{ if } V \text{ contain both } y_1 \text{ and } y_2,$$

$$\emptyset, \text{ otherwise.}$$

In all the cases $f^{-1}(V)$ is semi open in X . Hence f is not constant semi-continuous function. This is a contradiction to our assumption. This proves that the only semi-open subset of X is \emptyset and X . Hence (X, u) is semi-connected closure space.

Theorem 3.9: The following assertions are equivalent:

- (Y, v) is semi-connected closure space.
- The only subset of Y both semi-open and semi-closed are \emptyset and Y .
- No semi-continuous function $f: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is surjective.

Proof: [1] \Rightarrow [2]

Let (Y, v) is semi-connected closure space. Suppose $G \subset Y$ is both semi-open and semi-closed such that $G \neq \emptyset$ and $G \neq Y$, then $Y = G \cup G^c$, Where G^c is complement of G in Y . Hence Semi-continuous function $f: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is not constant i. e. (Y, v) is not semi-connected closure space, which is a contradiction to our initial assumption. Hence the only subset of Y both semi-open and semi-closed are \emptyset and Y .

[2] \Rightarrow [3]

Suppose the only subset of Y both semi-open and semi-closed are \emptyset and Y . Let $f: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is a semi-continuous surjection. Then $f^{-1}\{0\} \neq \emptyset, Y$. But $\{0\}$ is both open and closed in $\{0, 1\}$. Hence $f^{-1}\{0\}$ is semi-open and semi-closed in Y . This is a contradiction to our assumption. Hence no semi-continuous function $f: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is surjective.

[3] \Rightarrow [1]

Let no semi-continuous function $f: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is surjective. If possible let closure space (Y, v) is not semi connected closure space. So $Y = A \cup B$, A and B are also semi closed sets.

$$\text{Let } X_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0, & \text{if } x \notin A \end{cases}$$

Then $X_A(x)$ is semi-continuous surjection which is a contradiction to our initial assumption. Hence closure space (Y, v) is semi-connected closure space.

Theorem 3.10: The semi-continuous image of a semi-connected closure space is semi-connected closure space.

Proof: Let closure space (X, u) is a semi-connected closure space and consider a semi-continuous function $f: X \rightarrow f(X)$ is surjective. If $f(X)$ is not semi-connected closure space, there would be a semi-continuous surjection $g: f(X) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ so that the composite function $g \circ f: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ would also be a semi-continuous surjection, which is a contradiction to semi-connectedness of closure space (X, u) . Hence $f(X)$ is a semi-connected closure space.

4. PRE-CONNECTEDNESS IN CLOSURE SPACE

Definition 4.1: Let (X, u) be a closure space, a set A in a closure space (X, u) is called pre-open set if $A \subseteq \text{Int}(u(A))$. The complement of a pre-open set is called pre-closed set. The family of all pre-open sets of closure space (X, u) is denoted by $\text{PO}(X, u)$.

Example 4.2: Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$,

Define a closure function $u: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ such that

$$u\{b\}=u\{c\}=u\{b, c\}=\{b, c\}.$$

$$u\{a\}=u\{a, b\}=u\{a, c\}=u\{X\}=X, u\{\emptyset\}=\emptyset.$$

Hence (X, u) is a closure space.

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$$\text{PO}(X, u) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \emptyset, X\}.$$

Definition 4.3: Let (X, u) and (Y, v) are two closure spaces. A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is pre-continuous if the inverse image of every open set in Y is pre-open in X .

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Define a closure function $u: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ such that

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Hence (X, u) is a closure space.

$$\text{Open sets} = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, X, \emptyset\}.$$

$$\text{PO}(X, u) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \emptyset, X\}.$$

Let $Y = \{a, b, c\}$, a closure function $v: P(Y) \rightarrow P(Y)$ such that

$$v\{\emptyset\}=\emptyset, v\{Y\}=Y, v\{a\}=\{a, b\}, v\{b\}=\{b, c\},$$

$$v\{c\}=\{c, a\}, v\{a, b\}=v\{a, c\}=v\{b, c\}=Y,$$

Hence (Y, v) is a closure space.

$$\text{Open sets} = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, Y, \emptyset\}.$$

$$PO(X, u) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, Y, \emptyset\}.$$

There exists a function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$f^{-1}\{a\} = \{a, b\}, f^{-1}\{b\} = \{b\}, f^{-1}\{c\} = \{a, c\}, f^{-1}\{a, b\} = \{a\},$$

$$f^{-1}\{b, c\} = \{c\}, f^{-1}\{a, c\} = X, f^{-1}\{Y\} = X, f^{-1}\{\emptyset\} = \emptyset.$$

Hence f is a pre-continuous function.

Definition 4.5: A closure space (X, u) is called pre-connected closure space if and only if there exists a pre-continuous map from X to the discrete space $\{0, 1\}$ is constant.

A subset A of pre-connected closure space (X, u) is said to be pre-connected closure space if A with the subspace topology is pre-connected closure space.

Example 4.6:- Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$,

Define a closure function $u: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ such that

$$u\{b\}=u\{c\}=u\{b, c\}=\{b, c\}.$$

$$u\{a\}=u\{a, b\}=u\{a, c\}=u\{X\}=X, u\{\emptyset\}=\emptyset.$$

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Let $f: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ such that

$$f^{-1}\{1\} = \{a\} = \{a, b\} = \{a, c\} = \{X\} = \{b\} = \{c\}, f^{-1}\{0\} = \emptyset$$

$$\text{i.e. } f\{a\}=f\{a, b\}=f\{a, c\}=f\{X\}=f\{b\}=f\{c\}=1, f\{\emptyset\}=0.$$

Hence (X, u) is a pre-connected closure space.

Definition 4.7: A closure space (X, u) is called pre-disconnected closure space if and only if any pre-continuous map from X to the discrete space $\{0, 1\}$ is subjective.

Theorem 4.8: If $\{A_i : i \in \Lambda\}$ is a family of pre-connected closure subsets of pre-connected closure space (X, u) then $\cup A_i$ is also a pre-connected closure subset of (X, u) , where Λ is any index set.

Proof: Each $A_i, i \in \Lambda$ is a pre-connected closure subset of pre-connected closure space (X, u) so there exists pre-continuous function $f_i: A_i \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is constant. Let a pre-continuous function $f: \cup A_i \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is not constant, $f^{-1}\{1\} \neq A_i$ which is a contradiction to each A_i is pre-connected subsets of (X, u) , i.e. pre-continuous function f is constant. Hence $\cup A_i$ is pre-connected closure space.

Theorem 4.9: Let (X, u) and (Y, v) be two closure spaces and $f: (X, u) \rightarrow (Y, v)$ be bisection. Then

- f is pre-continuous function and X is pre-connected closure space then Y is connected closure space.
- f is continuous function and X is pre-connected closure space then Y is connected closure space.
- f is pre-open function and Y is pre-connected closure space then X is connected closure space.
- f is open function and X is connected closure space then Y is pre-connected closure space.

Proof

- Let (Y, v) is a closure space and X is a pre-connected closure space then there exists a pre-continuous function
- **fog:** $X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is constant. Consider a pre-continuous function $g: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$, given that $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is pre-continuous function and f is bijection so that g is also a constant function. Hence Y is connected closure space.
- Given that X is a pre-connected closure space, i.e. $g: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ pre-continuous function is constant. $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$ is continuous bijection, so that $f^{-1}og: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ continuous function is constant. Hence Y is connected closure space.
- Given that Y is pre-connected closure space i.e. $g: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ pre-continuous function is constant. Since $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is pre-open and bijection mapping so that continuous function $fog: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is constant. Hence X is connected closure space.
- Given that X is connected closure space i.e. a continuous function $g: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is constant and $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$ is open function so that it is a pre-open mapping then $f^{-1}og: Y \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is a pre-continuous constant function. Hence Y is a pre-connected closure space.

Theorem 4.10: A closure space (X, u) is pre-disconnected if and only if there exists a pre-continuous map from X onto a discrete two point space $Y = \{0, 1\}$.

Proof: Given that closure space (X, u) is pre-disconnected i.e. there exists a pre-continuous map $f: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is not constant and $f^{-1}\{0\} \neq \emptyset$. If a pre-continuous map $f: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ is onto, so that mapping is not constant. Hence (X, u) is pre-disconnected closure space.

CONCLUSIONS

In this paper the idea of semi-connectedness and pre-connectedness were introduced and relationship between the semi-connectedness, pre-connectedness and closure space were explained.

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